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THEY ARE
HUNGRY...

THEY ARE
TIRED...

THEY ARE
SCARED...

...AND THOUGH THEIR
WORLD IS ONE
WITHOUT REASON--
WITHOUT HOPE...

...THEY DO WHAT
PEOPLE HAVE
ALWAYS TRIED
TO DO.

SURVIVE.

PLENTY OF
BEANS--I'LL
GRAB AS
MANY AS I
CAN CARRY.

NEW JERSEY, 2199

THE PICKLES
SEEM OKAY.
OLIVES, TOO. NOT
MY FAVORITE
MEAL, BUT I'M
NOT TOO CHOOSY
ANYMORE.

MEAT
FREEZER'S
EMPTY--AND
WHAT A
STENCH!

ANIMALS
MUST'VE GOTTEN
TO IT! LOOK FOR
BEEF JERKY OR
CANNED HAM.
BEEN TOO LONG
WITHOUT MEAT.

TUNK

KAREN!
KEEP IT DOWN!
DON'T NEED ANY
UNWANTED
ATTENTION!

UH--THAT
WASN'T
ME--THAT
CAME FROM
OUT--

RRRRRRRR



SSH H

MECHAS!

RRRAAKKKK!

THEY'VE
FOUND
US!

no--oh,
no...

EVERYONE!
THROUGH THE
BACK!

ON THE
DOUBLE!

HAPPY NOW,
DREADNAUT?

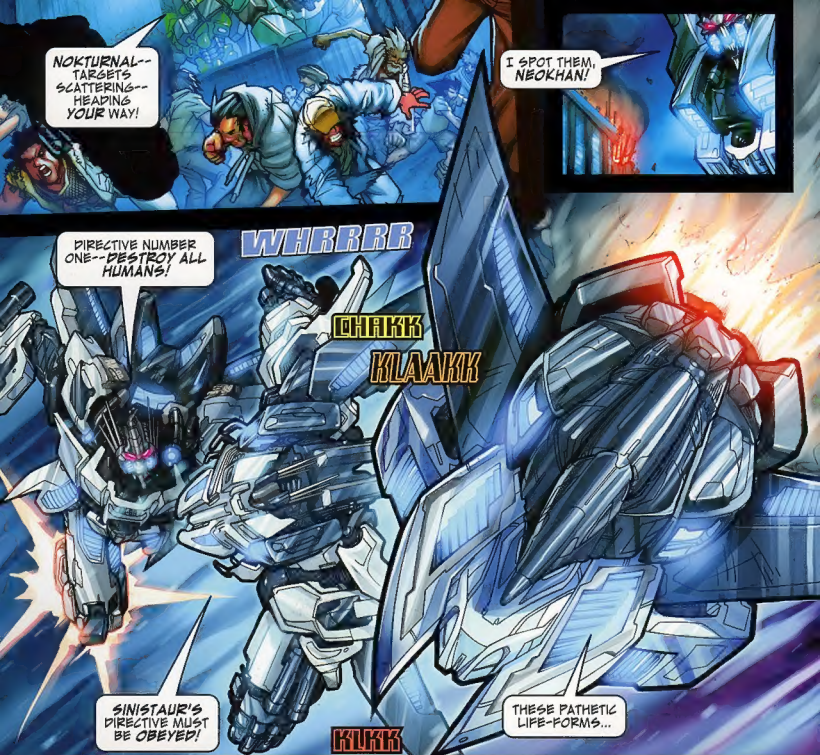
NEOKHAN TO
SINISTAUR--HUMAN
ACTIVITY
ENCOUNTERED.

AND I THOUGHT YOU
WERE JUST WASTING MY
TIME WITH YOUR MIDNIGHT
PATROL, NEOKHAN.

SO LET'S NOT WAIT
ANOTHER SECOND AND
GET DOWN TO BUSINESS!

VMMMMM!

YAAARGH!



NOKTURNAL--
TARGETS
SCATTERING--
HEADING
YOUR WAY!

I SPOT THEM,
NEOKHAN!

DIRECTIVE NUMBER
ONE-- DESTROY ALL
HUMANS!

WHRRRRR

CHAKK
KLAACK

SINISTAUR'S
DIRECTIVE MUST
BE OBEYED!

THESE PATHETIC
LIFE-FORMS...

KLUK



...ARE AS
GOOD AS
DEAD!

AAAAHH!

FOOOSSHH



AND IF
IT TAKES
ANOTHER
TWENTY
YEARS--

NOOOO!



--WE SHALL
ERADICATE
THEM
ALL!

SM-MASH!



AND THE
SOONER THE
BETTER!

NEOKHAN IS
CORRECT--I DO!

AND TONIGHT'S
JOB MERELY
DEMONSTRATES WHY
YOU'RE MY TOP
SCOUT, NEOKHAN!

YOUR ABILITY
TO THINK LIKE A
HUMAN...IS
UNCANNY!

AND YOUR GIFT
WILL CONTINUE TO
SEAL THEIR FATE!



ENOUGH
CHATTER.
NOKTURNAL
MECHA-LEADER
SINIESTAUR
JUST WANTS
THE WORK
DONE!

FASSH!



THOOOMM!

THAT
WOULD'VE
BEEN US
DOWN
THERE...



IF I
WASN'T THE
CAUTIOUS
TYPE.

AND THAT'S
ONE PARTY I
DON'T MIND
MISSIN'.

NEOKHAN

PROFILE: A SOLDIER'S SOLDIER, NEOKHAN'S LOYALTY, DISCIPLINE AND NO-NONSENSE ATTITUDE GIVE HIM AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE DREAD FORCE. HIS UNPARALLELED WILL AND DETERMINATION SERVE HIM WELL, AND THOUGH NOT AS BLOODTHIRSTY AS HIS COMRADES, NEOKHAN IS EQUALLY LETHAL AND EFFICIENT IN CARRYING OUT HIS MISSION. COMPELLED BY HIS SENSE OF DUTY TO EXECUTE SINISTAUR'S ORDERS, HE WILL SOON LEARN THAT EVERYTHING IS NOT ALWAYS AS CLEAR CUT AS IT SEEMS.



NOKTURNAL

PROFILE: A MYSTERIOUS AND EXTREMELY VIOLENT MECH, NOKTURNAL IS ONE OF THE MOST LETHAL HENCHMEN UNDER THE MOON COLONIES' COMMAND. ALTHOUGH BORDERLINE PSYCHOTIC, HIS VICIOUSNESS AND CRUELTY MAKE HIM INVALUABLE IN THE MOON COLONIES' QUEST TO WIPE OUT HUMANITY ON EARTH.





DREADNAUT

PROFILE: ONE OF THE MOST LETHAL AND HEAVILY-ARMORED MECHS IN THE DREAD FORCE, THE OUTSPOKEN DREADNAUT USES HIS MASSIVE FIREPOWER AND BRUTE STRENGTH TO DESTROY EVERYTHING IN HIS PATH, AND HE ENJOYS EVERY MINUTE OF IT.



LEVIATHAN

PROFILE: THE DREADED ENFORCER OF THE DREAD FORCE, LEVIATHAN'S SIZE AND MIGHT ARE SECOND ONLY TO TYRANNACZAR'S. WHILE NOT THE MOST INTELLIGENT OF THE MECHA, HIS LOYALTY AND IMMENSE POWER CAUSE HIM TO BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE DREAD FORCE, AND A NIGHTMARE TO HIS ENEMIES.

SINISTAUR

PROFILE: COLD AND CALCULATING, SINISTAUR IS THE LEADER OF THE DREAD FORCE SQUADRON ON EARTH. ALTHOUGH CREATED TO DO MINISTER CRAVEN'S BIDDING, SINISTAUR HAS AN AGENDA ALL HIS OWN, AND HE USES HIS CUNNING MIND, TALENT FOR MANIPULATION AND EXCESSIVE FORCE TO ENSURE HIS SUCCESS.





TYRANNACZAR

PROFILE: UNKNOWN.

MINISTER CRAVEN

PROFILE! HALF HUMAN, HALF MACHINE, CRAVEN IS THE LEADER OF THE MOON COLONIES AND THE EVIL MASTERMIND BEHIND THE DREAD FORCE. PARANOID, RUTHLESS AND DANGEROUS, HIS NEVER-ENDING QUEST FOR POWER HAS FUELED HIS GENOCIDAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST EARTH'S HUMAN POPULATION.













DAWN OF THE DREAD FORCE

A new beginning.

That was the theme that shouted to me as I read through the first draft of the "Dawn of the Dread Force" storyline. Jaran Studios had hired me based on my 23 years in the industry and was looking to develop their original concepts into a viable storyline.

My job at that point was to look for a way to tell the story. Where to start? Through which characters do I tell it? Can the concept last more than a few issues? Along with some tweaking to the overall concept and characters, we came up with a backstory that was interesting...one that provided lots of future story possibilities. But first we had to construct the opening salvo in our epic saga...jumpstart the world to which we could then proudly invite you, the reader, along for the ride. And what a story! "Dawn of the Dread Force" is full of menace, action, and those giant robots...the killing machines called the Dread Force. But it's not just a robot book. It's about people, it's about humanity, and about how people deal with one of our most basic instincts...survival. So what does a new beginning have to do with giant futuristic robots wiping out the human race? Well, I can't say without giving too much away. And since my job is to tell the story in pictures, I'll let you discover the surprises that await you in "Dawn of the Dread Force" numbers 1 through 3. Then you'll understand.

Kurt Hathaway, writer

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Happy holidays to everyone, and our best wishes to all the brave men and women serving in the armed forces.

Happy Holidays
Grom
RaceX DCP

PEACE
+
LOVE

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!
- GREEN
GIANT -



SNITSKY

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<GONG>

Happy Holidays
to our friends and fans!
Archangel

WHITEWOLF
MERRY
X-MAS

CHAMP

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!
data9724

Neverwhere
-DCP

Love & Hugs,

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
VERON(DCP)

In The Hot Desert,
In the cold mountain passes,
You Go to Defend us.

Though you are far from Home,
You are never far from our Thoughts.
Thank you, Always.
"Washraan"

Dizzy

GCPD GUY
-ôcd-

Happy Holidays,
Darwin

Tworaven

GAMBIT

TAFT

MERRY X-MAS + New Year
Blasty

King Killy
Scrooge

OROBOROS

Mouse 5/50 -DCP
Season greetings to all friends,
family & fellow scanners
-cheers

Best wishes,
Tcarus-DCP

Happy Holidays!
Kryptonite -DCP

Hourman-DCP

eo
ojo

ChanceHT

Lucy
Butler

JaiChing

DIRTMOUND

Scanprinos -DCP

Kritter-DCP

Memo/DCP wishes everybody a good
and healthy 2009! Have lots of reading fun!

BiZ

Peter
Watts

HAPPY HOLIDAYS
AND
MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM ET

Frank
Black

MERRY CHRISTMAS
& keep our Scanners

bones666

PEACE ON EARTH &
GOODWILL TO ALL

HAPPY XMAS!!

KONKY

Stinky*

Spellhorn

Malik Guy

ULTRA Boy-DCP

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Buon Natale e' Felice Anno Nuovo!

Coolidge

Read more Star Wars
In The next year
Darth Scanner

Best Christmas wishes!
-DarkMark

Happy
Christmas
y'all
Minuteman - Rosie

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